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## REMARKS

## **Pending Claims**

Claims 1-18 are pending. Claims 1-16 are canceled by this amendment. Claims 17 and 18 have been rewritten in independent form. No new matter has been added.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-16 have been canceled. Therefore, rejections against these claims have been rendered moot. Claims 17 and 18 have been deemed to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. These claims have been so amended and are believed to be allowable. That is, claim 17 has been amended include all of the limitations of claims 1 and 7, and claim 18 has been amended include all of the limitations of claims 1 and 15. No new matter has been added.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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